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## NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE



## **DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS**

The market tone on 8-16 lb. frozen hens and 16-24 lb. toms was about steady. No trading reported. Offerings were fully adequate for the limited demand. Trading and demand was mixed for bulk parts. Supplies of bulk parts were reported to be better balanced, with most expressing more confidence.

## **EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS**

Export trading was centered on frozen tom drums and tom full-cut wings. Demand was uneven with most buyers selective and price conscience.

<u>WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS</u>, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **FEBRUARY 11, 2003** 

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8-16 LB HENS						` ,		, ,	
EASTERN REGION 3/	60-62	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	59-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	59-62	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	58-59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	57-58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	56-58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degress F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes product with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 11 FEBRUARY 2003.

The trade sentiment was mostly steady on tom breast meat. However, some spot strength was noted on fresh and frozen tom breast meat from new production for prompt shipments with a fair amount of freight included in the price. Offerings adequate to ample. The trade sentiment on bulk parts was mostly steady. Some spot strength was noted on tom necks for domestic shipments and on tom 2-joint wings for export. As bulk parts inventories move into a better balanced position, some sellers have started increasing their offering prices to reflect the increased confidence in the market. The undertone on frozen mechanically separated turkey (MST) from new production was steady to fully steady for prompt and deferred export shipments. Domestic trading light. Tom drummettes traded at 17, fresh wing meat 45, and plant grade non-basted 14-16 lb. breasts 95 cents delivered. Exports continued active on parts, thigh meat and MST. Young hen necks traded at 9.50-11 and young hen drums 14.50-15.50 cents delivered port.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/ BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/ BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/ DRUMSTICKS, TOM DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH	17.00-18.00 18.00	R W F	93.00 145.00 88.00 17.05 18.00	40 14 80 105 40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	17.00 16.00-16.50 23.00 54.00	W	17.00 16.25 17.00 23.00 54.00	5 80 40 5 120
NECKS, TOM NECKS, HEN BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/ BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/ THIGH MEAT	12.50-13.00 115.00 111.00-117.00	R T	12.85 13.00 115.00 111.29 52.00	65 20 30 210 8
THIGH MEAT—FRESH BREAST TRIM MEAT SCAPULA MEAT TENDERLOINS DESTRAPPED TENDERS	56.00 99.00	W	56.00 62.00 99.00	40 40 18
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH WING MEAT WITH SKIN MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/ MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	15.00	F	115.00 15.00 16.20	12 80 100
EXPORT TRADING	40 50 40 55			4
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM TAILS MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/ THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	16.50-18.00 15.00-15.50 19.50 16.50-18.50 43.00-60.00	R	17.50 15.19 20.00 19.50 16.70 46.97	472 676 104 40 532 432

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.):

M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

<sup>3/</sup> Boneless and skinless without tenderloins.  $\,4/$  15-20% fat with skin added.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PI	ROCESSED TURKEY,	SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY			
DELIVERED TO RETAILERS		DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS			
	RANGE	RANGE			
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	96	TURKEYS Y HENS 115-129			
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	96	TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22# 115-125			
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	65-66	TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24# 115-125			
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	63	TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26# 115-129			
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	65-72	TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER 115-129			

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BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		F	88.00	80
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	17.00-18.00		17.05	105
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH	18.00		18.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	17.00		17.00	5
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	16.00-16.50		16.25	80
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		W	17.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	23.00		23.00	5
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	54.00		54.00	120
NECKS, TOM	12.50-13.00		12.85	65
NECKS, HEN		R	13.00	20
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	115.00		115.00	30
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	111.00-117.00		111.29	210
THIGH MEAT		Т	52.00	8
THIGH MEAT—FRESH	56.00		56.00	40
BREAST TRIM MEAT				
SCAPULA MEAT		W	62.00	40
TENDERLOINS	99.00		99.00	18
DESTRAPPED TENDERS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH		F	115.00	12
WING MEAT WITH SKIN				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	15.00	_	15.00	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/		F	16.20	100
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	16.50-18.00		17.50	472
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	15.00-15.50		15.19	676
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		R	20.00	104
TAILS	19.50		19.50	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	16.50-18.50		16.70	532
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	43.00-60.00		46.97	432

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